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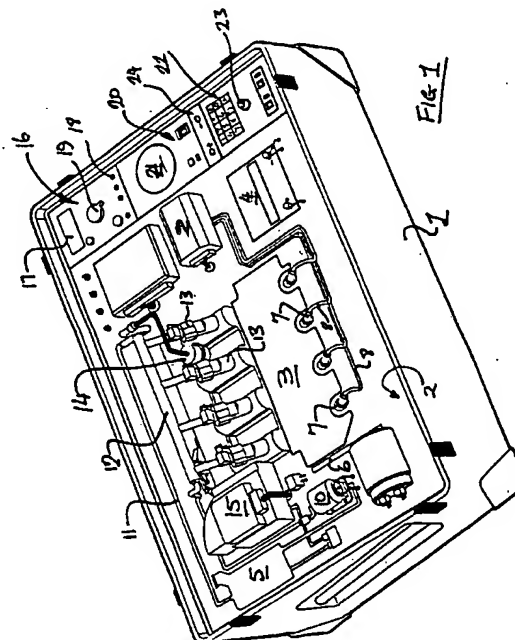
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(54) **Training aid**

(57) A simulator for training maintenance personnel in the diagnosis of faults comprises a number of machine components (7, 9, 10, 13, 15) arranged so as to reproduce, at least schematically, the layout of the equipment on which fault diagnosis is being instructed, the machine components being connected actually or schematically to simulate the component connections of the actual equipment, and the machine components and component connections being provided with test probe application points, the simulator further including a number of test instruments (16) including test probes which can be selectively connected to the test probe application points, the test instruments (16) including at least one display (17), and the test instruments, test probe application points, and display being linked to a computer or other processing unit which is programmed to provide outputs to the test instrument display or displays (17) consistent with the application of test probes to the selected test probe application points and in dependence on the fault to be simulated in the equipment.



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